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TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

I find the proposed Microsoft settlement odiferous. To allow them to advance their monopoly and call it punishment is ludicrous. The very people who were harmed by their business practices would be harmed by the proposed settlement. I feel that any judgment has to be made to level the playing field.

One alternative would be to have Microsoft donate light wave fibers to local servers and pay to have it laid into rural areas in the various states that are asking for damages. Any company could connect or provide service and customers could choose between them.

This would bring high speed internet into rural areas and bridge the digital gap. The affected states would benefit and it would stimulate the economy fairly.

Respectfully,  
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